

AMENDMENTS TO THE ABSTRACT

Please replace the current abstract with the following replacement abstract.

[0059] A production line ~~and a method~~ for carrying out machining and cleaning operations on rectangular frameworks, ~~such as window frames,~~ is provided. ~~Initially, elongate~~ Elongate plastic frame members are welded together in a ~~plastic frame~~ welding machine, thereby forming two rectangular frameworks located one above the other. These are moved to a framework processing machine along separate predetermined paths ~~where~~ with the first path being located above the second path. The paths are provided by horizontally extending guide arrangements on the machine which has ~~at least one a~~ power tool for carrying out machining operations, this tool being supported by a transporting mechanism capable of moving the tool both horizontally and vertically. Machining steps are carried out on the two frame works while they are held one above the other, ~~in the processing machine.~~ The frameworks are then moved to a weld cleaning machine along respective upper and lower paths ~~and for~~ further processing operations, ~~including weld cleaning steps are carried out in this machine.~~